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B1, 1.4(D)

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 FM AMEMBASSY CARACAS  
 TO SECSTATE WASHDC 6282  
 INFO AMEMBASSY BOGOTA  
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 AMEMBASSY LISBON  
 AMEMBASSY MADRID  
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C O N F I D E N T I A L CARACAS 001658

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 USCINCSO ALSO FOR POLAD  
 USAID DCHA/OTI FOR RPORTER

E.O. 12958: DECL: 06/03/2013  
 TAGS: PHUM, PGOV, VE  
 SUBJECT: GOV NABS BARUTA MUNICIPALITY MAYOR HENRIQUE  
 CAPRILES RADONSKY

REF: CARACAS 0950

CLASSIFIED BY: POLITICAL COUNSELOR ABELARDO A. ARIAS FOR REASONS 1.4 (B ) AND (D)

1. (U) BARUTA MUNICIPALITY MAYOR HENRIQUE CAPRILES RADONSKY (PRIMERO JUSTICIA) PRESENTED HIMSELF BEFORE A CARACAS COURT MAY 11 TO FACE CHARGES REGARDING HIS ALLEGED INVOLVEMENT IN A VIOLENT PROTEST OUTSIDE THE CUBAN EMBASSY ON APRIL 12, 2002 (REF). DURING THE HEARING, PROSECUTOR DANILO ANDERSON REQUESTED THAT CAPRILES BE REMANDED TO CUSTODY BECAUSE THE MAYOR WAS A FLIGHT RISK, WHEREUPON DISIP (POLITICAL POLICE) OFFICERS TOOK CAPRILES INTO CUSTODY. ANDERSON NOW HAS UP TO 45 DAYS TO PRESENT FORMAL CHARGES AGAINST THE MAYOR. CAPRILES WILL REMAIN IN DISIP CUSTODY DURING THAT TIME, ACCORDING TO PRESS REPORTS.

2. (C) CAPRILES WENT INTO HIDING WHEN THE FIRST DETENTION ORDER FOR HIM WAS ISSUED MARCH 16 AND REEMERGED AFTER THE

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE  
 REVIEW AUTHORITY: APPEALS REVIEW PANEL  
 CLASSIFICATION: CONFIDENTIAL REASON: 1.4(D)  
 DECLASSIFY AFTER: 13 MAY 2029  
 APPEAL ACTION: ORIGINAL DECISION UPHELD  
 REASON(S): B1, 1.4(D)

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 REVIEW AUTHORITY: MELVIN E SINK  
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SUPREME COURT (TSJ) STRUCK IT DOWN APRIL 1.

CAPRILES' ATTORNEY FILED A REQUEST TO BEGIN AN INVESTIGATION OF ANDERSON FOR HAVING DISOBeyed THE TSJ DECISION, ACCORDING TO PRESS REPORTS.

3. (U) SPEAKING TO REPORTERS AFTER CAPRILES' DETENTION MAY 11, PRIMERO JUSTICIA DEPUTIES JULIO BORGES, LILIANA HERNANDEZ, AND GERARDO BLYDE CONDEMNED THE ACTION AND VOWED THAT THE MAYOR WOULD BE EXONERATED AND FREED. "IT'S A POLITICAL DECISION FROM A POLITICAL JUDGE AND PROSECUTOR THAT HAVE USED THE VENEZUELAN JUDICIAL SYSTEM AS A MECHANISM FOR POLITICAL REPRESSION, AND THAT IS UNACCEPTABLE IN A DEMOCRATIC STATE," BLYDE SAID.

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